ANNUNCIATION PARISH

Second Sunday of Advent

December 6, 2020

Saint Mary Church

626 Willard Avenue
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Phone: (860) 666-1591
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Saint Mary Mass Times

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 p.m.
Sunday: 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m.

Confession

Saturday: 3:15 - 3:45 p.m.

Office Hours

Monday - Thursday: 9:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Church of the Holy Spirit

183 Church Street
Newington, CT 06111
Phone: (860) 666-5671
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Holy Spirit Mass Times

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 p.m.
Sunday: 7:30 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 12:00 noon

Daily Mass Times

Monday - Saturday: 9:00 a.m.

Confession

Saturday: 3:00 - 3:45 p.m.

Office Hours

Monday - Friday: 9:00 - 2:00 p.m.

www.AnnunciationNewington.com & on Facebook

Welcome To Annunciation Parish, The Roman Catholic Community of Newington

Whether you are a long-time parishioner, a returning parishioner, a new parishioner, or a visitor, welcome to our community. We are glad that you are here and hope that you feel at home. If you are not already a member of our parish, please consider joining us. If you are a member of our parish already, please consider joining one of our ministries.

The Catholic Church welcomes new members of all ages. Children are welcomed into our faith through the sacrament of Baptism. Adults can either join our faith, or complete their sacraments of initiation through our RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) or our Adult Confirmation program.

If you are interested in any of these programs, please contact Pastoral Associate Deacon Jim Tanguay at: deaconjimt@annunciationnewington.com or call (860) 666-1591, ext. 104.

Parish Priests

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Sacramental Ministries

Baptism

To schedule a Baptism, please contact the rectory for an initial meeting and a parent preparation session.

Marriage

Please call the rectory at least **six months** in advance. Couples meet with the priest for an initial pastoral conversation before a wedding date can be set. Please do not make other plans until a date has been confirmed with your parish.

For the Sick

We are happy to visit with the homebound. If you or a loved one would like a home visit, Holy Communion or the Anointing of the Sick, please contact the rectory office.

This Tuesday, December 8th is the **Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary,** a holy day of obligation. We will celebrate two Masses at both churches.

Saint Mary Church ~ 8:30 a.m. & 12:10 p.m.

Holy Spirit Church ~ 9:00 a.m. & 5:30 p.m.

"No sin would touch her, so that she would be a fitting and worthy vessel of the Son of God. The Immaculate Conception does not refer to the virginal conception and the birth of Christ, but rather to Mary's being conceived without inheriting Original Sin."

- United States Catholic Catechism for Adults, 142-143

CHRISTMAS MASSES AT ANNUNCIATION PARISH

Due to COVID-19 restrictions issued by the State of Connecticut, Mass attendance is strictly limited to 100 people at both St. Mary's and Holy Spirit Churches.

Tickets will be given on a first come/first served basis for our Christmas Eve and Christmas Day Masses. Attendance at these Masses will not be permitted without a valid ticket for the Mass indicated on the ticket.

Due to these restrictions, we are asking that only immediate family members be invited to request tickets. Tickets will not be available at the church doors on the day/time of the Masses.

Pick up reserved tickets at the church you will be attending for Christmas Mass after Mass the weekends of December 12/13 and December 19/20, 2020. *To reserve tickets, please call (860) 666-1591.*

MASS TIMES

CHRISTMAS EVE MASSES

Saint Mary Church

3:00 p.m. *(no tickets available)*

5:00 p.m.

Holy Spirit Church

4:00 p.m. *(no tickets available)*

6:00 p.m.

CHRISTMAS DAY MASSES

Saint Mary Church

9:00 a.m.

11:00 a.m.

Holy Spirit Church

9:30 a.m. *(no tickets available)*

12:00 p.m.

Second Sunday of Advent

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, December 5th

9:00 a.m. Anne Jameson, By her Husband, **H/S**

4:00 p.m. Stephen Boccadoro, By his Family, **H/S**

4:00 p.m. Anna Tinto, 23rd Anniversary, By her Daughter Gloria & Family, **S/M**

December 6th, Second Sunday of Advent

7:30 a.m. Theresa Kozikowski, Birthday Remembrance, By her Son & Family, **H/S**

8:00 a.m. Tony Armentano, 39th Anniversary, By Gail & Benny, **S/M**

9:30 a.m. Robert & Roseann Ruel, By Michael & Maria Ruel, **H/S**

10:00 a.m. Jose & Adelina Pina, By the Pina Family, **S/M**

12:00 p.m. Shirley J. Trommer, First Year Anniversary, By the Marchetti Family, **H/S**

Monday, Dec. 7th, St. Ambrose, Bishop & Doctor of the Church

9:00 a.m. Marilyn Califano, 9th Anniversary, By her Family, **H/S**

Tuesday, December 8th, The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Holy Day of Obligation

8:30 a.m. Giovanni Carducci, By his Wife, Anna, **S/M**

9:00 a.m. Deceased Members of the DaMotta Family, **H/S**

12:00 p.m. Gary Edgerton, By the Priests & Staff of St. Mary, **S/M**

5:30 p.m. Mary "Janet" Taber, By Annunciation Women's Guild, **H/S**

Wednesday, December 9th, St. Juan Diego Cuauhtlatoatzin

9:00 a.m. James Giansanti, Sr., By his Family, **H/S**

Thursday, December 10th

9:00 a.m. Clement Gebo & Eric Gebo, By their Family, **H/S**

Friday, December 11th, St. Damusus I, Pope

9:00 a.m. Elizabeth Hamilton, By Jerry Griffin, **H/S**

Saturday, December 12th, Our Lady of Guadalupe

9:00 a.m. Jean Grondzik, By her Daughter, Marie, **H/S**

4:00 p.m. Ann Profetti, Birthday Remembrance, By her Daughters, **H/S**

4:00 p.m. Alessandro DeFilippis, By Wife & Children & Grandchildren, **S/M**

December 13th, Third Sunday of Advent

7:30 a.m. Edward Kurpiewski, By his Wife, **H/S**

8:00 a.m. Liduina Reis, By Margaret Gibbon, **S/M**

9:30 a.m. Robert Stapleton, Jr., First Anniversary, By his Family, **H/S**

10:00 a.m. St. Anthony of Padua, By Salvatore Colangelo & Family, **S/M**

12:00 p.m. Donald Doherty, By his Family, **H/S**

IN LOVING MEMORY

We pray for:

Maria Almeida
Joanne Deschenes
Anne G. Durant
Michael Jarnutowski
Robert Lavoie
Ann V. Tanner

And for the consolation of their family and friends.

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord; let your light shine upon them.

THE SANCTUARY LAMP

...Is lit at Holy Spirit Church:

December 6-12th, 2020 for Raymond Petow, 17th Anniversary, *By His Wife*

PARISH SUPPORT

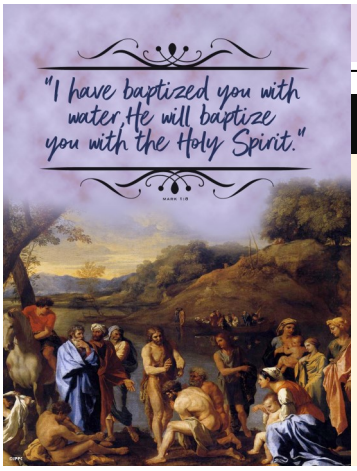
November 22, 2020

Weekly Collection:	$ 10,194
On Line Giving:	$ 3,869
Total:	**$ 14,063**

November 29, 2020

Weekly Collection:	$ 11,944
On Line Giving:	$ 3,318
Total:	**$ 15,262**

We are grateful to all who continue to support Annunciation Parish by your prayers and financial contributions.



Sunday, December 6, 2020

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

John the Baptizer appeared in the desert as the precursor proclaiming the way Lord. He embodies the characteristics of a true disciple. Who will proclaim him in this generation?

If you feel the call to proclaim the word of the Lord as a priest, call Fr. Michael Casey, Director of Vocations, Pastoral Center, Tel 860-761-7456, e-mail vocations@aohct.org or visit the web at **www.hartfordpriest.com.**

ADULT CONFIRMATION NEWS

Throughout this year, three adults have been preparing to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation as adults. Under ordinary circumstances, the candidates would receive this sacrament from a bishop as part of an Archdiocesan ceremony. Unfortunately, the COVID pandemic has forced the cancellation of this ceremony. Therefore, our candidates will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation here at Annunciation Parish.

On Sunday, December 13th, at the 10:00 a.m. Mass at St. Mary Church, Father Shawn will confer the Sacrament of Confirmation on Brionna Magnoli, Richard Trevethan, and Laura Lavorata.

Congratulations to our candidates and please keep them in your prayers.

The feast in honor of Our Lady of Guadalupe goes back to the 16th century. Chronicles of that period tell us the story.

A poor Indian named Cuauhtlatohuac was baptized and given the name Juan Diego. He was a 57-year-old widower, and lived in a small village near Mexico City. On Saturday morning December 9, 1531, he was on his way to a nearby barrio to attend Mass in honor of Our Lady.

Juan was walking by a hill called Tepeyac when he heard beautiful music like the warbling of birds. A radiant cloud appeared, and within it stood an Indian maiden dressed like an Aztec princess. The lady spoke to him in his own language and sent him to the bishop of Mexico, a Franciscan named Juan de Zumarraga. The bishop was to build a chapel in the place where the lady appeared.

Eventually the bishop told Juan to have the lady give him a sign. About this same time Juan's uncle became seriously ill. This led poor Juan to try to avoid the lady. Nevertheless the lady found Juan, assured him that his uncle would recover, and provided roses for Juan to carry to the bishop in his cape or tilma.

On December 12, when Juan Diego opened his tilma in the bishop's presence, the roses fell to the ground, and the bishop sank to his knees. On the tilma where the roses had been appeared an image of Mary exactly as she had appeared at the hill of Tepeyac.

https://www.franciscanmedia.org/saint-of-the-day/our-lady-of-guadalupe

ADVENT GIFT CARDS

During this Advent season, as we prepare to celebrate the birth of our Savoir, Jesus Christ, let us turn our hearts and thoughts to those less fortunate and in need. In the spirit of this time of giving, we are asking for **Gift Cards only**. Due to the pandemic, it is impossible to store and distribute items safely. Below is a list of Gift Cards that would be the most helpful for our outreach, in place of the giving tree:

Price Chopper	**Stop & Shop**	**Walmart**
Target	**Walgreens**	**CVS**
Subway	**Dunkin Donuts**	**Big Y**

Gift Cards may be returned to the rectory at both Saint Mary Church and Holy Spirit Church, or to the Religious Education Office located at the back of Holy Spirit Church between 9:00am and 1:00pm Monday through Thursday. There will also be *clearly marked baskets* during each Mass at both Churches on the back of the pews to collect the gift cards.

Thank you for your continued generosity and support!

Peace, Religious Education Office, **(860) 666-3562**

******ALL GIFT CARDS must be returned by Sunday, December 13th, to insure timely distribution to all organizations!******

SANDWICH MINISTRY

The next sandwich collection is Sunday, December 20th @ 4:30pm in the Saint Mary School parking lot. If there happens to be inclement weather on the collection date, the collection will be cancelled. Please call Bill @ (860) 436-2669/ evenings if you have any questions. *Thank you for living your faith by helping others!*

HOLY HOUR

Come spend time in the presence of Jesus.

Tuesdays, 6:00 - 7:00 PM,

Holy Spirit Church

Join us for this "mid-week check - in with the Lord," either for the whole hour, or for as much time as you are able to give.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 6, 2020

Monday:	Is 35:1-10; Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14; Lk 5:17-26
Tuesday:	Gn 3:9-15, 20; Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4; Eph 1:3-6, 11-12; Lk 1:26-38
Wednesday:	Is 40:25-31; Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8 and 10; Mt 11:28-30
Thursday:	Is 41:13-20; Ps 145:1 and 9, 10-11, 12-13ab; Mt 11:11-15
Friday:	Is 48:17-19; Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6; Mt 11:16-19
Saturday:	Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab; Jdt 13:18bcde, 19; Lk 1:26-38 or Lk 1:39-47
Sunday:	Is 61:1-2a, 10-11; Lk 1:46-48, 49-50, 53-54; 1 Thes 5:16-24; Jn 1:6-8, 19-28